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| <b>UTILITY<br/>PATENT APPLICATION<br/>TRANSMITTAL</b><br><br>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) | Attorney Docket No.                            | REDA:0093/<br>ID99-10 | Total Pages | 60 |
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| <b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>         |  | <b>Application Number</b>   |  | Unassigned                    |                         |
|                                |  | <b>Filing Date</b>          |  | Herewith                      |                         |
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|---------------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Fee Code            | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |                        |                          |
| 101                 | 690      | 201          | 345      | Utility filing fee     | 690.00                   |
| 106                 | 310      | 206          | 155      | Design filing fee      |                          |
| 107                 | 480      | 207          | 240      | Plant filing fee       |                          |
| 108                 | 690      | 208          | 345      | Reissue filing fee     |                          |
| 114                 | 150      | 214          | 75       | Provisional filing fee |                          |
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**2. CLAIMS**

|                        | Extra | Fee from below |   | Fee Paid |
|------------------------|-------|----------------|---|----------|
| Total Claims 20 - 20 = | 0     | X 18           | = | 0.00     |
| Independent 3 - 3 =    | 0     | X 78           | = | 0.00     |
| Claims                 |       |                |   |          |

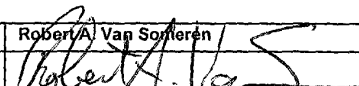
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| 103          | 18       | 203          | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                  |          |
| 102          | 78       | 202          | 39       | Independent claims in excess of 3                       |          |
| 104          | 260      | 204          | 130      | Multiple dependent claim                                |          |
| 109          | 78       | 209          | 39       | Reissue independent claims over original patent         |          |
| 110          | 18       | 210          | 9        | Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |          |

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| 139                       | 130             | 139            | 130             | Non-English specification  |                         |
| 147                       | 2,520           | 147            | 2,520           | For filing a request for reexamination                                     |                         |
| 112                       | 920             | 112            | 920             | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |                         |
| 113                       | 1,840           | 113            | 1,840           | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |                         |
| 115                       | 110             | 215            | 55              | Extension for response within first month                                  |                         |
| 116                       | 400             | 216            | 200             | Extension for response within second month                                 |                         |
| 117                       | 950             | 217            | 475             | Extension for response within third month                                  |                         |
| 118                       | 1,570           | 218            | 755             | Extension for response within fourth month                                 |                         |
| 119                       | 310             | 219            | 155             | Notice of Appeal   |                         |
| 120                       | 310             | 220            | 155             | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |                         |
| 121                       | 270             | 221            | 135             | Request for oral hearing   |                         |
| 138                       | 1,510           | 138            | 1,510           | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |                         |
| 140                       | 110             | 240            | 55              | Petition to revive unavoidably abandoned application                       |                         |
| 141                       | 1,320           | 241            | 660             | Petition to revive unintentionally abandoned application                   |                         |
| 142                       | 1,320           | 242            | 660             | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |                         |
| 143                       | 450             | 243            | 225             | Design issue fee   |                         |
| 144                       | 670             | 244            | 335             | Plant issue fee  |                         |
| 122                       | 130             | 122            | 130             | Petitions to the Commissioner  |                         |
| 123                       | 50              | 123            | 50              | Petitions related to provisional applications                              |                         |
| 126                       | 240             | 126            | 240             | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |                         |
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| 149                       | 790             | 249            | 395             | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))             |                         |
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